

12.15.2021 Veterans Home Weekly Family Updates

Dear Family & Friends -

COVID -19 Update:

One COVID-19 positive team member was identified since our last update. This means we currently have two active COVID-19 positive team members and no COVID-19 positive members.

Current & Cumulative COVID-19 Cases:

Current Active COVID-19 Confirmed Positive:	2 (Two employees)
Current Active COVID-19 Suspected Positive:	0
Cumulative COVID-19 Confirmed Positive (since the Pandemic began in March 2020):	83 (twenty-five members, fifty-five employees, three contracted individuals)
Cumulative COVID-19 Suspected Positive (since the Pandemic began in March 2020):	2 (one member, one employee)
Total Recovered (since the Pandemic began in March 2020):	79 (twenty-two members, fifty-four employees, three contracted individuals)

Our comprehensive COVID-19 Infection Prevention and Response Plan is in place to help our team prioritize the health and safety of everyone who lives in and works at the Veterans Home. This plan includes:

- Requiring team members be vaccinated against COVID-19 while encouraging members and families to get the COVID-19 vaccine;
- Utilizing appropriate personal protective equipment, including a well-fitting face covering or mask that covers the mouth and nose;
- Screening and monitoring members, team members, and visitors for symptoms;
- Using alcohol-based hand rub regularly;
- Tracing individuals who come in contact with anyone affected;
- Testing members and team members based on federal and state guidance;
- Quarantining COVID-19 positive members and implementing enhanced infection control measures;
- Advising COVID-19 positive team members to take all appropriate measures;
- Taking environmental safety precautions, such as disinfecting high-touch surfaces and designated visitation areas after each visit;
- Assuring safe congregate dining and group activities with social distancing; and
- Adhering to safe visitation procedures, including maintaining six feet of distance between persons.

Please contact me at any time if you need assistance in getting vaccinated, finding a booster shot, or have questions.

Thank you for choosing to call the Veterans Home the home for your loved one. I can think of no greater gift this holiday season than having you and your loved ones part of our community.

Thank you for granting us the privilege of serving you all.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Megan M. Corcoran', written in a cursive style.

Megan M. Corcoran, NHA | Administrator
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